

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 358

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend David A. Doyle for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee as President of the Tennessee District Public Defenders Conference.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens, who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is attorney David A. Doyle of Gallatin, who currently serves as the 2008-2009 President of the Tennessee District Public Defenders Conference; and

WHEREAS, since 1989, Mr. Doyle has served the citizens of Sumner County with distinction as District Public Defender; in his capacity as District Public Defender and in his role as President of the Conference, David Doyle has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and an exceptional asset to this State; and

WHEREAS, a native of Gallatin and the son of Will-David and Juliette Harvey, David Doyle attended Gallatin public schools; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Doyle graduated magna cum laude from Bowdoin College with a Bachelor of Liberal Arts degree in history; he continued his education at the University of Tennessee College of Law, from which he earned his Doctor of Jurisprudence; and

WHEREAS, on August 9, 1989, David Doyle was appointed by Governor Ned McWherter as the first District Public Defender for Sumner County; Mr. Doyle won re-election in 1998 and again in 2006; and

WHEREAS, selflessly donating his time, Mr. Doyle has been a member of the Gallatin Arts Council Board of Directors and the Sumner County Red Cross Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, highly respected for his keen insight and knowledge, David Doyle is a member of the Sumner County Crime Commission Board of Directors, the Sumner County Anti-Drug Coalition Board of Directors, and the Tennessee Sex Offender Treatment Board; and

WHEREAS, recognized as a leader by his peers and colleagues, David Doyle serves as a member of the Board of Governors of the Tennessee Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division; and

WHEREAS, from 1989 to 1998, Mr. Doyle served as Chairman of the Sumner County Foster Care Review Board; he currently serves as a member of the Gallatin Day Care Center Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, he has served as a member of the Executive Committee of the Tennessee District Public Defenders Conference for more than half of its existence; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Doyle is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Zoe, and their children, William David and Eliza Allen; and

WHEREAS, David Doyle epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, David Doyle has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of members of the bar and bench as well as his community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend David A. Doyle for his meritorious service to the good people of the State of Tennessee as the 2008-2009 President of the Tennessee District Public Defenders Conference and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.